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- On 11 February 1953, an unspecified number of tanks was unloaded from a train at the Blumenthal railroad station on the Pritzwalk - Kyritz line. On 12 February, tank, artillery and SP gun columns, as well as truck convoys loaded with engineer equipment continuously passed through Blandikow from the direction of Techow, proceeding towards Herzsprung and Fretzendorf. On the same day, columns moved through Liebental towards Dossow. On 13 February, bivouacs were observed in the Pretzdorf area. On 13 and 14 February, all Soviet units moved towards the west. On 15 February, tanks were loaded on flatcars at the Netzeband railroad station.
- On 14 February, a train carrying about 20 trucks, 20 122 mm howitzers and about 250 army personnel was observed passing through Neustadt/Dosse, coming from Wittenberg and proceeding in the direction of Berlin. 25X1
- Units of the Schwerin military post were away for exercises, allegedly in the Magdeburg area, between 12 and 14 February. The tank units moved by rail and the motorized units by road. 25X1
- On 11 February, 4 x 37 mm and 4 x 85 mm AT guns from the Flak Kaserne were entrained at the Magdeburg-Friedrichstadt railroad station. 25X1
- From 11 through 14 February, trucks were loaded on two trains at the Rathenow railroad station. Thirty trucks towing 160 mm mortars were included. The equipment came from the Infanterie Kaserne. On 14 February, the first elements of the units from the Pionier Kaserne, which had left on 10 February, detrained at Rathenow. Forty 122 mm howitzers were observed.
- On 12 February, two troop trains with troops of the 2nd Light Artillery Brigade were unloaded at the Neustrelitz railroad station. The troops then marched toward Speck-Steinfeld. An AAA shipment was also unloaded. More tanks and 25X1

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vehicles were allegedly detained on the night of 12 to 13 February. On 15 February, a mortar unit of the 9th Guards Tank Division was unloaded.

7. On 13 February, a train carrying a unit of the 13th AAA Division was unloaded at the Weimar railroad station. About 60 flatcars and 100 converted boxcars were seen at the railroad station.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Number of Trains</u>
14 February	Wittstock	Rathenow	2
	Frankfurt/ Oder	Templin	1
14/15 February	Rathenow	Grimma	2
15 February	Wittstock	Doeberitz	3
	Rostock	Satzkorn	2
	Bernau	Doeberitz	2
	Neuruppin	Jueterbog	1
15/16 February	Netzebrand	Neustrelitz	4
	Altruppin	Neustrelitz	5
	Neuruppin	Neustrelitz	3
16 February	Brandenburg	Satzkorn	1
	Neuruppin	Fuerstenberg	1
	Neuruppin	Rostock	1
	Neustrelitz	Plauen (?)	1
	Wildpark	Loburg	1

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